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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
HIROSHI SUGIURA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: MARTIN, A.
SERIAL NO: 09/990,264 :
RCE FILED: HEREWITH : GROUP ART UNIT: 1745
FOR: FUEL CELL OUTPUT :
CHARACTERISTIC ESTIMATION
APPARATUS AND OUTPUT
CHARACTERISTIC ESTIMATION
METHOD, FUEL CELL SYSTEM AND
VEHICLE HAVING THE SAME, AND
FUEL CELL OUTPUT CONTROL
METHOD AND DATA STORAGE
MEDIUM

PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2)

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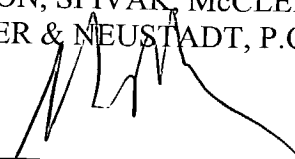
This is a petition to withdraw the above-identified application from issue pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2) so that the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed herewith may be considered upon the granting of this petition and the enclosed papers requesting the filing of a Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. This Petition is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c) because the Issue Fee was paid on July 29, 2004. In this case, the references disclosed in the IDS were cited in an Office Action in a corresponding European application.

Application No. 09/990,264
Petition To Withdraw from Issue

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the petition be granted and that this above-identified application be withdrawn from issue and that the IDS filed herewith be considered in the continued examination application.

Respectfully submitted,

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